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Electric Power

1. The central area of Fitesti, Rumania, supplied by underground lines, has DC current. The rest of the city, supplied by overhead lines, has DC and AC current. The power station which supplies the city is located on the north-west corner of the Pasajul Victoria and Bulevardul Republicei intersection. The power station produces 220 volts DC current, and also steps down to 220 DC the 15,000 volt AC current from Dobresti via Bradet-Curtea de Arges-Comuna Bascoveni. Some of the 15,00 volt current is also reduced to 220 volt AC current for the needs of the city. The current from Dobresti passes through two transformers before its entry in the power station. One is opposite Strada Cazarmei on the northwest corner of the Strada Solnitari and Strada Niculae Balcescu. The second transformer is opposite the power station.

Water Supply and Sewage System

- 2. Pitesti depends on the Arges River for its water supply. A filtering station located at the Comuna Gropeni, approximately 2 kilometers northwest of Pitesti draws water from the Arges River, filters it, and channels it underground into a large water resevoir which is located at the highest point in Pitesti, west of the cemetery. This resevoir is surrounded by a black painted fence which has a perimter of 2,000 meters. Water is available throughout the city on a 24 hour basis.
- 3. Hydrants are located on the sidewalks in the majority of the streets. They have oval steel covers and are marked "Gura de Apa". Their location is usually marked by green painted tin plates which are placed on the nearest house or tree. On these plates the latter "H" is painted in red; after the letter is an arrow indicating direction and distance in meters to the nearest hydrant. Arrow and distance are painted in white.
- 4. The two main sewage pipes run beneath Strada Targului din Vale and another beneath Strada Canalului. Both of them empty into the Arges River. Access to the sewage system is through manholes located in the middle of the streets.

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The manholes are approximately one meter wide and have iron covers. At Strada Targului din Vale and Strada Canalului beneath each manhole are "camera de vizitare a canalului colector" (access room of the main collection pipe). These chambers are square and two or three persons can stand in them. On the other streets beneath each manhole are control points which are approximately one meter wide and one to five meters deep. The deepest are at the north, northeast and east part of Pitesti.

Government Buildings and other Important Offices

5. Militia Headquarters and Branches

- a. The Central Headquarters of the Militia are located on the southwest side of Strada Negru Voda between Strada Canalului and Strada Babic.
- b. A branch office of the Militia is located on the northeast side of Bulevardul Republicei between Strada Carol and Bulevardul Eroilor.
- c. A branch of the Militia known as Militia Financiara is located on the northeast side of Strada Negru Voda between Strada Canalului and Strada Babic.
- 6. Securitatea Headquarters are located on the southwest side of Bulevardul Republicei between Strada Craiovei and Strada Carol.
- 7. The Pitesti city jail is located on the northeast side of Strada Niculae Balcescu approximately 400 meters opposite and north of the Barracks.
- 8. Rumanian Army Headquarters, Encampments, and Military Establishments:
 - a. The City Military Command Headquarters is located on the south corner of the Bulevardul Republicei and Strada Ercilor intersection, opposite the post office. The entrance is on Bulevardul Republicei.
 - b. The barracks of 1 Mountain Regiment, 6 Artillery Regiment and one tank division are located on the west side of the Strada Cazarmii between Strada Trivale and the Pitesti city jail.
 - c. The Army Recreation Club is located between Strada Doamna Balasa, Bulevardul Eroilor and Bulevardul Republicei. There are two entrances; one is on Strada Doamna Balasa and the other on Bulevardul Republicei, opposite the Peoples' Council.

9. Rumanian Workers Party Headquarters and Branches

- a. The Pitesti headquarters for the Rumanian Workers Party is located on the northeast side of Strada Negru Voda between Strada Olga Bancie and Strada Postei.
- b. The Raion headquarters for the Party is located on the northeast side of Strada Negru Voda between Strada Babic and Strada Olga Bancia.
- 10. The Union of the Working Youth (UTM) is located on the northeast side of Strada Serban Voda between Strada Postei and Strada Grivitei.
- 11. The City People's Council has its offices in a building located on the southwest side of Strada Negru Voda between Strada Postei and Strada Olga Bancia,
- 12. The Raion People's Council has its offices in a building located on the southwest side of Strada Egalitatii between Strada Rahovei and Bulevardul Eroilor, opposite the Public Gardens.

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13. Courts

- a. The State Courts are located southeast of and close to the City Headquarters of the Rumanian Workers Party.
- b. The City Courts are located in a building opposite the State Courts.
- c. The Rural Courts are located northwest and close to the City Peoples People's Council on Strada Negru.

14. Hospitalsoiel

- a. The State Hospital, formerly known as the Bratianu Hospital, is located on the northeast side of Bulevardul 1 Mai opposite Strada Doctor Babic.
- b. The Children's Hospital is located on the northeast side of Strada Negru Voda between Strada Olga Bancig and Strada Postei.
- c. The Polyclinic is housed in the former Social Insurance building, located on the northeast side of Bulevardul 1 Mai between Strada Postei and Strada Lascar Catargiu.
- d. The Maternity Hospital is located close to and southeast of the State Hospital on the northeast side of Bulevardul 1 Mai.
- e. The Military Hospital is located on the grounds of the military barracks on the west side of Strada Niculae Balcescu.
- f. A medical laboratory is located on the east corner of Strada Olga Bancis and Strada Negru Voda, close to the Children's Hospital.
- 15. Loudspeakers are placed in key positions in Pitesti. These loudspeakers relay the official radio broadcasts, especially the Soviet and Communist propaganda programs. Location of some of the loudspeakers are as follows:
 - Opposite the State shop Alimentara on Doamna Balasa Square;
 - b. On Strada Serban Voda opposite the Soviet bookstore; and
 - c. On Strada Serban Voda behind Saint Nicholas Church.

16. Locations of Commercial Firms

- a. Sovromlemn or Comlemn offices are housed in a building formerly owned by Ristea Jianu. This building is located on Targul-din-Vale, No. 8, near Strada Abator.
- b. Competrol has its offices in a building located at No. 6 Targul-din-Vale.
- c. Industrializarer Padurilor pentru Exploatarea Lemnului (I.P.E.I.L.) is located on the southwest side of Strada Negru Voda between Strada Olga Bancig and Strada Babic.
- d. The Pitesti Bus Company offices are located on the northeast side of the section of Bulevardul Republicei between Strada C.A. Rosetti and Strada Craiova.

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17. Public Parks, Gardens and Cemeteries

- a. The Trivale Park is located in the Trivale Woods, the entry of which is at the southwest end of Strada Trivale.
- b. The Pitesti Public Garden is bounded by Strada Egalitatii, Bulevardul Republicei, and Bulevardul Eroilor.
- c. A small garden is located on the southwest side of Piata Doamna Balasa at the end of Strada Craiovei.
- d. The Saint George Cemetery is located at the west end of Bulevardul Broilor on the hill.
- e. The Military Cemetery is located close to the Saint George Cemetery.
- f. The American Cemetery is located close to the Military Cemetery.
- g. The Jewish Cemetery is located close to the American Cemetery.

18. Sports Fields

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- a. A football field is located behind the Raion People's Council on the north corner of the Strada Primaverii and Strada Exercitiului intersection.
- b. A swimming beach is located at the northeast end of Strada Lascar Catargiu. On this beach there is also a sports field, football field and volleyball court.

19. Schools

- a. The Elementary School for Girls No. 1 is located on the west corner of Strada Craiova and Bulevardul Republicei intersection.
- b. The Elementary School for Boys No. 2 is located on the southwest side of Bulevardul Republicei between Bulevardul Eroilor and Strada Carol.
- c. The Elementary School for Boys No. 3 is housed in the same building as the No. 2 school but the entrance is on Strada Egalitatii between Strada Matei Basarab and Bulevardul Eroilor.
- d. The Girls Cymnasium is located on the southwest side of Strada Egalitatii between Strada Matei Basarab and Bulevardul Eroiler.
- e. The Boys Gymnasium is located on the west side of Strada Egalitatii between Strada Trivale and Strada Rahovei.
- f. An elementary school for girls is located on the east corner of Strada Libertatii and Bulevardul 1 Mai.
- g. The Commercial Gymnasium is located on the northeast side of Bulevardul Republicei between Bulevardul Eroilor and Strada Carol.
- h. The Technical Night School is located on the northeast side of Bulevardul 1 Mai between Strada Olga Bancie and Strada Postei.
- i. The Teachers' Training School for Girls is located on the south end of Strada Craiovei at the point named "Bariera Prundului".
- j. The C.F.R. Technical School is located on the west corner of Strada Maior Giurescu and Bulevardul Republicei intersection. The entrance is on Bulevardul Republicei.

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- k. The Professional School of Leather Industry is located opposite the Lica Petrescu leather factory on Strada Niculae Balcescu.
- The Aviation School and airport are located southwest of Geamana, seven kilometers southeast of Pitesti. This school is equipped with about 10 training aircraft. It also has gliders and special lessons are given for glider pilots.
- m. A horticultural school is located opposite the railroad station of Merisani, approximately 16 kilometers north-northwest of Pitesti and on the Pitesti-Curtea de Arges railroad.
- n. A horticultural school is also located in Dobrogostea, which is seven kilometers northwest of Pitesti on the main road from Pitesti to Curtea de Arges.

20. Mills and Factories

- a. A flour mill, formerly "Moara Fratii Dumitrescu", and now under the direction of the State organization "Trustul Panificatiei" is located on an unidentified street in Pitesti. It has modern equipment, has its own power station, a railroad siding and is connected with the grain elevator by railroad spurs. The capacity of the flour mill is about 80 to 100 carloads. The mill is also equipped to grind corn.
- b. An ice plant is located on the northeast side of Piata Doamna Balasa.
- c. The "Tudor Vladimirescu" tannery, located in Gavana on the north side of Strada Niculae Balcescu, is the result of a merger of two tanneries and is controlled by the State. There are approximately 525 people employed in the tannery.
- d. The Argesul tannery is located on the northwest side of Gavana. It is a new concrete structure not yet completed, but the tannery is already producing. There are 350 workers employed, working in three shifts of eight hours each. The tannery is supplied with the high tension AC current which comes in through overhead lines from Curtea de Arges. A transformer is located just at the entry of the tannery and converts the AC to DC current.
- e. The textile factory "Textila ll Iunie (formerly Textila Sfantul Gheorghe) is located on the southwest side of the Arges River in Gavana. The factory, modernly equipped, has 1,000 looms, 1,000 workers who work three shifts, eight hours each. The factory is supplied with DC current via overhead lines from the Pitesti power plant. In addition, another small power plant is located in the yard of the factory.
- f. The textile factory "Textila 11 Iunie" is located approximately 250 meters southeast of the Pitesti railway station and on the northeast side of the railroad. The factory was bombed during World War II. In 1948 it was completely rebuilt and enlarged. The area of the factory is approximately 5,000 to 6,000 square meters and the construction materials are concrete and brick. The factory has its own power plant. The factory is equipped with 400 looms and 1,200 to 1,500 workers are employed in three shifts of eight hours each.
- g. The State Metallurgical Factory is located opposite the Textile 11 Iunie on the southwest side of the Pitesti railroad station. Cast iron spare parts for engines, etc., are produced there. About 80 workers are employed, working eight hours a day.

